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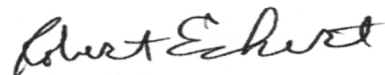
Dear Requester:

This acknowledges your Freedom of Information Act request received in this Office on the above date. We have asked the appropriate action Office(s) to send the requested records to us for review.

Your request has been assigned a case number based on the date of its receipt in this office and is being processed as expeditiously as possible. Pursuant to Departmental regulations, 43 CFR Part 5 Subpart D, charges can be made if applicable. The actual processing time will depend on the complexity of your request and whether sensitive records, voluminous records, extensive search, and/or consultation with other HHS components or other executive branch agencies are involved. These agencies will provide a direct response to you. There may be a charge for those records and, in some cases, the charges may be substantial.

You may contact this office by phone at (202) 690-7453, at any time concerning your request. When making an inquiry, we request that you please refer to the FOIA Request Number above.

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